

REMARKS

The application has been amended and is believed to be in condition for allowance.

Claim 1 was objected to due to an informality. Responsively, the recitations of claim 1 have been amended.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation that the Official Action indicated that claims 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11, 14 and 15 were directed to allowable subject matter.

In reliance thereupon, claim 2 has been amended to include the amended recitations of claim 1. Accordingly, allowance of claim 2 and the claims depending therefrom is respectfully requested.

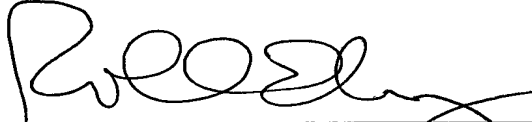
The claims not depending from claim 2 have been canceled.

In view of the above, applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance and an early indication of the same is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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